



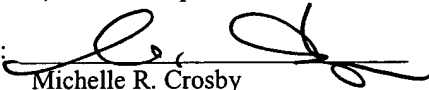
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Final Office Action dated January 3, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as shown.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.